

—● Best Starts for Kids Capital Program

Info Sessions

April 25, 2023 & May 4, 2023

 King County

Best Starts for
KIDS



● AGENDA

- **Introduction to Best Starts' Capital**
- **Priority 2 RFP**
 - **Background**
 - **Criteria**
 - **Scoring**
- **Q&A**



● VISION

Happy, Healthy, Safe and Thriving

We want to see babies born healthy, kids thrive, and young people grow up to be happy, healthy, successful adults.

● WHAT IS BEST STARTS' CAPITAL?

- A new program under BSK 2.0
- Provides contracts for renovation and new construction of facilities that serve low-income children, BIPOC communities
- This program will fund recreational, early learning, and child care facilities, community centers, and housing

The BSK Implementation Plan prioritizes:

- Providing culturally responsive youth programming to low income and BIPOC communities
- Geographically dispersed projects
- Facilities that are:
 - i. Multi-use
 - ii. Intergenerational
 - iii. Located in a rural or low-income areas
 - iv. Close to transportation

● RFP PURPOSE

This RFP will fund repair and renovation to existing multi-use community centers, early learning centers, child care or recreational facilities to address critical health and safety issues

● RFP SUMMARY

Funding available: **\$4.7M**

Application due date: **May 26, 2023 by
2:00 PM Pacific Time**

Funding request limits: **Up to
\$500,000**

Anticipated number of awards: **8-12**

TIMELINE*

RFP release	April 14, 2023
Info Session 1	April 25, 2023
Info Session 2	May 4, 2023
Final day to initiate request for technical assistance	May 19, 2023
Application due date	May 26, 2023 at 2:00 pm PST
RFPs rated and review	June 9, 2023 – June 23, 2023
Notification of selected and non-selected applicants	July/August 2023

*all dates are estimates and subject to change

WHAT IS A CRITICAL HEALTH AND SAFETY REPAIR?

Renovations and repairs to address critical health and safety issues include those that:

- Eliminate or reduce hazards including lead, mold, formaldehyde, asbestos, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), and other harmful substances;
- Repair or replace roofs, walls, and floors that are structurally unsound;
- Improve accessibility per the Americans with Disabilities Act and/or reduce risk of trip and fall;
- Repair or replace ventilation and/or heating systems to provide good indoor air quality and improved ventilation and energy efficiency (e.g., heating, ventilating, and air-conditioning (HVAC), air barrier work, vapor barrier);

● WHAT IS A CRITICAL HEALTH AND SAFETY REPAIR? CONT'D

- Remediate structural or foundational issues (e.g., sinking, cracks);
- Repair or replace deteriorated plumbing, fire, mechanical, gas, and electrical systems;
- Ensure that all building operations and maintenance are done properly and per local building code;
- Replace or install additional energy conservation measures (e.g., insulation, storm windows); and
- Repair gutters and/or drainage to prevent moisture damage and mold issues.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Applicant runs a facility that needs Critical Health and Safety Renovations and Repairs.
- Project is a Community Center, Early Learning Center, Child Care or Recreational Facility. No other project types are permitted.
- Request does not exceed \$500,000.
- Project must be a rehabilitation or renovation project. This funding will not be given to new construction or expansion projects.
- Project site is owned or leased* by applicant organization.

*If leased, organization must have owner support of proposed renovations

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS CONT'D

- Applicant is a nonprofit organization, Community Based Organization (CBO), tribe/tribal organization, for-profit entity or public/governmental agency serving communities in King County.
- Applicant serves Low-Income children, youth and families with a priority for those serving BIPOC communities, Rural areas and/or areas Without Physical Access to similar facilities.
- Applicant hosts Culturally Responsive Programming and/or permanent low-cost or free programming for Low-Income households, consistent with recommendations from the CYAB.

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Applicant runs a facility that is:
 - i. Multi-use;
 - ii. Intergenerational;
 - iii. Close to Transportation; and/or
 - iv. Has outdoor covered space
- Applicant can assemble a design, architecture, engineering and/or contractor team.
- Applicant can manage a construction project.
- Applicant has financial systems that can track income and expenditures.
- Applicant can report performance measurements.
- Applicant is leveraging other capital investments, including County PSTAA funds.

● WHAT IS INELIGIBLE?

Ineligible Activities

- Non-construction materials and equipment, including technology, toys, games, play equipment
- Retroactive funding (payment for goods, work, or services that have already been delivered or performed)
- Transportation/Travel
- Staffing costs or other salaries
- Emergency funding
- Mortgage or utility bills

● WHO SHOULD APPLY?

- Nonprofits, community based organizations (CBOs), tribes, for-profit organizations and public agencies serving communities in King County
- Organizations that meet minimum qualifications
- We encourage small nonprofits and CBOs to apply!

● WHAT WILL YOU NEED TO SUBMIT?

- Summary and application questions
- We will require applicants to submit the following documents in ZoomGrants:
 - Timeline
 - Budget
 - Organization financials
 - Organizational chart
 - Staff resumes
 - Site control
 - Site plan (optional)
 - Site photos

● HOW TO APPLY

- Be sure to read the complete RFP document in the ZoomGrants Library *prior* to starting your application
- Applications will be submitted via ZoomGrants or via email at DCHSContracts@kingcounty.gov
- ZoomGrants link is <https://www.zoomgrants.com/zgf/bskcapital> and can be found on the BSK Website and Blog
- Submit materials early and check ZoomGrants often to ensure that your applications are delivered

● TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

[Free technical assistance](#) (TA) is available to support applicants and eliminate barriers that might prevent you from seeking funding, through May 19, 2023.

TA provider contact information can be found in ZoomGrants.

TA providers can:

- Assist in determining appropriate fit between your program and the RFP;
- Provide guidance on how best to answer questions and where to find supportive data;
- Support application review, including editing and budget review. TA is *not* grant writing.

SCORING CRITERIA

Description	Weight	Total Weighted Points
<i>Feasibility and Scope</i>		
Feasibility	3	15
Scope of Work	3	15
<i>Proposed Budget</i>		
Budget	3	15
<i>Organizational Experience</i>		
Financial and Subject Matter Expertise	2	10
Operational Capacity and Experience	2	10
<i>Communities Served</i>		
Location (rural, low-income, near like facilities and/or transportation)	4	20
Communities served	4	20
Culturally Responsive	4	20
<i>Equity and Social Justice</i>		
Commitment to Equity	5	25
Organizational Structure	4	20
Total		170

● ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Next info session is May 4th at 11am
- Email all RFP questions to DCHScontracts@kingcounty.gov
- Contact **Technical Assistance Providers** directly for support
- See the **glossary of terms** for a list of relevant definitions



ZoomGrants Tutorial

<https://www.zoomgrants.com/zgf/bskcapital>



—● QUESTIONS?



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